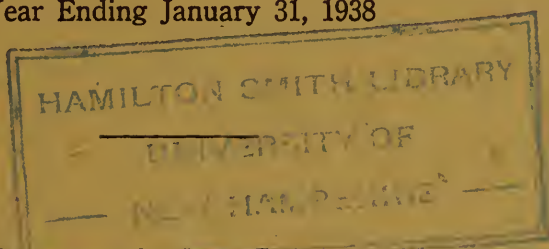


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Town Officers for 1937-1938

Moderator

HAROLD H. WILKINS

Selectmen

PERCY M. ODELL

CLINTON H. HOLT

RALPH C. BILLS

School Board

ARTHUR L. UNDERWOOD

RALPH P. CURRIER

MRS. WALCOTT S. TELFER

Town Treasurer

Z. B. KEMP

Tax Collector

HIRAM R. ELLIOTT

Town Clerk

Z. B. KEMP

Road Agent

GEORGE H. HOWARD

Auditors

M. D. CLARK

A. L. MARTIN

Supervisors of Check List

F. W. BROWN

H. R. ELLIOTT

W. A. PROCTOR

Trustees of Trust Funds

H. H. WILKINS

C. W. GOING

F. W. BROWN

Firewards

A. L. MARTIN

M, F. GOODALE

ARTHUR L. DANIELS

Forest Fire Warden

A. L. MARTIN

Sexton of Cemeteries

CLARENCE H. HAGAR

Constable

CHARLES WETHERBEE

Surveyors of Wood, Bark and Lumber

FRED W. HUBBARD

VOSCOE PLUMMER

Tree Wardens

W. L. YOUNG

A. B. HUBLEY

Health Officer

CHARLES WETHERBEE

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

State of New Hampshire

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Amherst in the
County of Hillsborough, in said State, qualified
to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in
said Amherst, on Tuesday the eighth day of March next,
at eight o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the follow-
ing subjects.

1 To choose all the necessary Town Officers for the
ensuing year.

2 To raise such sums of money as may be necessary
to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make
appropriations for the same.

3 To see if the town will vote to allow the usual dis-
count on taxes; 3 per cent. to July 1st, and 2 per cent.
to August 1st.

4 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate
the sum of \$956.49, State to give \$3825.99 for classified
road improvement.

5 To see if the town will vote to receive State Aid;
the State to pay \$182.00, the town to pay \$1822.00. Must
be spent on Mont Vernon Road. The State will not co-
operate on both Articles 4 and 5.

6 To see if the town will vote to give the Town Treas-
urer authority to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

7 To see if the town will vote to gravel Clark's Ave-
nue at Baboosic Lake, by Petition.

8 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropri-
ate the sum of \$75.00 for the purchase of a chassis to
take the place of the old one on the Baboosic Fire Truck
by Petition.

9 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$75.00 to paint the town clock.

10 To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight.

CLINTON H. HOLT,
RALPH C. BILLS,
Selectmen of Amherst

INVENTORY OF TOWN OF AMHERST

Inventory	\$1,246,285 00
Exemption to veterans	26,790 00
	\$1,219,495 00
Tax rate, \$3.20	
School rate, \$1.06	
Property tax	\$39,164 40
Poll tax	1,266 00
National Bank stock tax	52 00
Amount raised by direct taxes	\$40,482 40
Uncollected taxes of 1937	\$9936 34
Uncollected poll taxes	384 00
Abatements and discounts	415 00
Taxes bought by town	2742 86
	\$13,478 20
	\$27,004 20
1931, 1932, 1933, 1934, 1935,	
1936 taxes	1,437 59
	\$28,541 79

Income From Other Sources:

State:	
Interest and dividends	\$1431 89
Insurance tax	3 00
Railroad tax	130 84
Savings bank tax	823 93
Forest fires	19 46
State tax abatement	25 60
Relief	228 81
Bounties	8 20
Rental of grader	331 25
Business licenses and permits	38 00
Town hall	160 00
Refund of overpayment	1 00

School tax from Mont Vernon and New Boston	172 03
Dog licenses	412 37
Old age assistance from county treas.	150 00
Rebate on insurance policy	9 24
Poll taxes	882 00
National Bank stock tax	52 00
Use of town hall chairs	20 00
Use of fire truck	29 01
Use of sprayer	3 00
Trustees of Trust funds	400 00
Sale of cemetery lots	60 00
Fisk highways	39 29
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., cutting brush	100 00
Use of grass blanket	30 00
Temporary loans	8000 00
Motor vehicle permit fees	1302 25

\$14,863 17

DETAILS OF INVENTORY OF TOWN OF AMHERST

Land and buildings	\$1,187,510 00
Horses, 56	5,195 00
Oxen, 2	150 00
Cows, 524	25,300 00
Neats, 51	2,085 00
Fowls, 10,755	10,755 00
Fur bearing animals	715 00
Boats and launches	800 00
Wood, bark and lumber	2,025 00
Gasoline pumps	1,310 00
Stock in trade	10,440 00

\$1,246,285 00

Exemptions to veterans and state	\$26,790 00
Amount of taxes	\$39,033 84
Tax rate	\$3 20
School rate	\$1 06

ESTIMATED EXPENSES

	Expended 1937-1938	Estimates 1938-1939
Town officers' salaries	\$1310 00	\$1315 00
Town officers' expense	533 87	600 00
Election and registration	64 25	200 00
Town hall	365 43	400 00
Police department	389 67	350 00
Fire department	1335 72	1500 00
Moth department	8 99	,
Bounties	14 20	
Dog damage	105 09	
Health department	64 01	50 00
Vital statistics	36 50	35 00
Town maintenance	3893 89	3150 00
Snow	1534 87	2000 00
Town road aid	955 75	956 49
Special account for oiling	2025 55	2000 00
Library	400 00	500 00
Town poor	1793 36	2000 00
Town soldiers' aid	221 56	300 00
Old age assistance	721 90	1200 00
Memorial Day	80 78	75 00
General exp. of department	85 41	550 00
Special appropriation for kitchen stove	82 08	
Special appropriation for painting hallway, town hall	21 85	
Cemeteries	400 00	600 00
Auto permit fees	107 50	125 00
Parks and playgrounds	204 50	200 00
Interest	706 57	700 00
Hollis road note	500 00	
Reduce town debt	1500 00	1500 00
Street lights	1257 50	1300 00
Town clock		50 00
Temporary loans	8000 00	

Trustees of Trust funds	400 00	
Taxes bought by town	2794 11	
Special appropriation for painting library fence	49 00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., cutting brush	100 00	
State tax	3472 00	2604 00
County tax	6470 22	8500 00
Schools	12330 47	14375 00
	\$54,336 60	\$47,135 49

NON-TAXABLE PROPERTY

Baptist Church	\$5,000 00
Baptist Parsonage	1,500 00
Congregational Church	15,000 00
Congregational Parsonage	3,500 00
Congregational Chapel and Annex	2,000 00
Town Hall	10,000 00
Fire Engine House	2,000 00
Fire Apparatus	4,000 00
Town Library	7,500 00
Town Library Contents	4,000 00
Schoolhouse, District No. 1	15,000 00
Schoolhouse, District No. 2	2,000 00
Schoolhouse, District No. 3	1,500 00

REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

For Year Ending January 31, 1938

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand Feb. 1, 1937	\$2,701 99
Underpayment of check No. 625 at bank	01
H. R. Elliott, Collector:	
1935 taxes	28 12
1936 taxes	6,970 22
1937 taxes	26,996 37
Redeemed taxes of 1931	10 22
Redeemed taxes of 1932	44 85
Redeemed taxes of 1933	62 78
Redeemed taxes of 1934	325 75
Redeemed taxes of 1935	510 90
Redeemed taxes of 1936	351 41
1936 taxes bought by the town	528 62
1937 taxes bought by the town	2,214 24
Interest on taxes	413 85
Interest on redeemed taxes	131 68
Summons charges	64 60
Z. B. Kemp, Clerk:	
Auto Permits for 1937	1,275 09
Auto permits for 1938	27 16
Dog licenses for 1937	412 37
Sunday licenses	13 00
State Treasurer:	
Abatement of state tax	25 60
Reimbursement on relief	228 81
Forest fires	9 46
Use of fire truck	10 00
Bounties	8 20
Insurance tax	3 00
Railroad tax	130 84
Savings bank tax	823 93
Interest and dividends	1,431 89

County Treasurer:

Reimbursement of old age assistance	150 00
Souhegan National Bank, short term notes	8,000 00

Sexton:

Sale of lots	60 00
Use of grass blanket	30 00
A. L. Martin, use of fire truck	5 00
Grace M. Walsh, use of fire truck	14 01
G. F. Wenzel & Son, two bowling alley licenses	10 00
A. M. Ryan, three bowling alley licenses	15 00
George H. Howard, use of grader	313 25
George H. Howard, refund	1 00
Grace H. Crosby, for permanent care of cemetery lot	100 00
Harry W. Carpenter, for permanent care of cemetery lot	100 00
Annie M. Noyes, for permanent care of cemetery lot	100 00
Charles J. Upham, for permanent care of cemetery lot	100 00
Public Service Co. of N. H., for hall rent	5 00
Hillsboro Pomona Grange, for hall rent	5 00
Souhegan Grange No. 10, for hall rent 1937	75 00
Men's Club of Amherst, for hall rent 1937	75 00
Peter Woodbury, use of hall chairs at Dodge auction	20 00
Trustees of Trust Funds: Fiske Highway Fund	39 29
Town of New Boston, school tax for 1937	99 53
Town of Mont Vernon, schol tax for 1937	72 50
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., cutting brush	100 00
American Motorists Insurance Co., dividend	9 24
R. G. Sherman, use of sprayer	3 00

Total Receipts for Year 1937	\$55,256 78
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PAYMENTS

Paid out by orders of the Selectmen	\$54,336 60
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Bal. of cash on hand in treas. Feb. 1, 1938	920 18
Total	<u>\$55,256 78</u>

RECAPITULATION

Liabilities

Due:

Souhegan National Bank and others, 33 serial notes of \$500 each at 3 % per annum	\$16,500 00
Souhegan National Bank, short term note	1,000 00
Amherst School Dist., bal. appropriation	6,000 00
Amherst School Dist., dog tax for 1937	307 28
Total	<u>\$23,807 28</u>

Assets

Cash on hand in treasury, Feb. 1, 1938	\$ 920 18
Uncollected taxes of 1935	64 55
Uncollected taxes of 1936	231 08
Uncollected taxes of 1937	10,818 34
Taxes bought by town, not yet redeemed:	
1930	7 25
1931	389 58
1932	385 61
1933	382 19
1934	718 89
1935	1,379 57
1936	2,275 51
1937	2,214 24
State treasurer, bounties for 1937	14 20
Total	<u>\$23,807 28</u>

Net Town Indebtedness	4,006 09
Total	<u>\$19,801 19</u>
	Z. B. KEMP,
	Town Treasurer.

Amherst, N. H., Feb. 10, 1938.

We hereby certify that we have this day examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,
Town Auditors.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN**Town Officers' Salaries:**

Appropriation \$1315.00

P. M. Odell	\$250 00
C. H. Holt	250 00
R. C. Bills	250 00
H. R. Elliott, tax collector	200 00
Z. B. Kemp, town clerk	150 00
Z. B. Kemp, town treasurer	150 00
Z. B. Kemp, clerk of trust funds	50 00
A. L. Martin, auditor	5 00
M. D. Clark, auditor	5 00

 \$1310 00
Town Officers' Expenses:

Appropriation \$500.00

Expended:

A. L. Martin	\$ 99
N. E. Tel. and Tel. Co.	3 30
Z. B. Kemp, telephone	33 00
H. B. Burt, supplies	102 96
William M. Falconer, survey- ing Lake road	6 50
P. M. Odell, supplies	35
F. W. Hubbard, surveying wood	2 00
Alice K. Peaslee, clerical work	22 00
Trustees Amherst Trust Funds, rent of Safety Box	5 00
Fred W. Benson, supplies	1 00
Remington Rand Inc., supplies	75
State Board of Welfare and Relief, supplies	30
U. S. Auto and Truck Guide	3 75
P. M. Odell, use of car	25 00
Association of N. H. Assessors, dues	2 00
The Keystone Press, stamp	1 25
W. A. Proctor, bond for constable	10 00

Wilfred L. Boisclair, transfers	80	
The Colonial Press, supplies	1 75	
Cabinet Press, notices	1 25	
Emma J. Epps, supplies	1 60	
Souhegan Nat'l. Bank, supplies	3 20	
Z. B. Kemp, supplies	15 15	
Donat Corriveau	21 44	
H. R. Elliott, supplies	8 00	
Rotch Insurance Agency	23 63	
Ben. P. Branhan Co., supplies	4 00	
R. H. Llewellyn, supplies	2 00	
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	19 40	
Colonial Press	211 50	
		\$533 87

Election and Registration:

Appropriation \$100.00

Expended:

H. H. Wilkins, moderator	\$ 6 00	
H. H. Wilkins, Jr., asst. moderator	5 00	
F. W. Brown, supervisor	11 00	
W. A. Proctor, supervisor	11 00	
H. R. Elliott, supervisor	11 00	
A. C. Richardson, asst. clerk	5 00	
H. R. Locke, ballot clerk	5 00	
A. B. Hubley, officer	3 50	
Colonial Press, ballots	6 75	
		\$64 25

Town Hall:

Appropriation \$400.00

Expended:

A. B. Hubley, janitor	\$20 50	
C. H. Weatherbee, janitor	90 75	
H. R. Elliott, supplies	3 62	
Public Service Co., lights	61 92	
A. L. Martin, supplies	23 74	
A. W. Converse, labor, supplies	6 59	
Gus Peterson, labor	13 25	

A. R. Merrill, labor	1 50	
Frank Hartshorn Co., wood	6 50	
Men's Club of Amherst, supplies	19 36	
H. C. Gault, labor	7 75	
P. M. Odell, wood	40 50	
Rotch Insurance Agency	50 00	
John R. Martin, supplies, labor	19 45	
		\$365 43

Special Appropriation for
kitchen stoves \$75.00

Sears Roebuck and Co.	\$77 90	
B. & M. railroad	4 18	
		\$82 08

Special Appropriation for painting
hallway, \$25.00

H. R. Elliott, supplies		\$21 85
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Police Department:

Appropriation \$350.00

A. B. Hubley, wayfarers	\$ 2 00	
A. B. Hubley, services	7 50	
A. L. Martin, supplies	2 30	
C. H. Weatherbee:		
Services	31 95	
Wayfarers	54 00	
Baboosic Lake dances	250 57	
Drowning case at lake	41 35	
		\$389 67

Fire Department:

Appropriation \$1200.00

Expended:

Lawrence Engine Co. No. 2,		
Firemen's salaries	\$200 00	
A. L. Martin, fire chief	25 00	
A. L. Martin, forest fire warden	25 00	
M. F. Goodale, fire warden	15 00	
A. L. Daniels, fire warden	15 00	
Walter Ryan, janitor	75 00	

A. L. Martin:

House fires	48 25
Chimney fires	41 75
Clearing snow from hydrants	12 30
Air compressor	75 00
Forest fires	88 67
Grass fire	6 50
Truck fire	4 00
Burning leaves around common	4 65
Cutting brush waterholes	4 75
Supplies	105 85

Rotch Insurance Agency:

Insurance on fire truck	78 54
Insurance on fire house	25 00
Fire and theft on Chev- rolet truck	9 60

William A. Proctor:

Insurance on Graham truck	5 00
Insurance on Graham truck	90 05

M. F. Goodale, supplies	12 65
Clark's Garage, labor, supplies	54 98
Roy S. Parker, fuel	60 52
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephone	48 10
Public Service Co., lights	46 96
H. R. Locke, water rent	20 00
Milford Water Works, rent of two hydrants	20 00

Robert W. Haskell and As- sociates, 2 compressors	70 00
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John R. Martin, supplies	50
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A. H. Blanchard Co., supplies	9 25
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Hope Rubber Co., Inc., rubber coat	12 00
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Howe Fire Apparatus Co., supplies	25 85
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\$1335 72

Moth Department:

Expended:
 Brackett & Shaw, repairing sprayer \$8 99

Bounties:

Expended:
 P. M. Odell \$2 20
 C. H. Holt 60
 Roy Wheeler 11 40

 \$14 20

Dog Damage:

Expended:
 H. H. Dearborn, M. D. \$ 5 00
 James P. Melzer, supplies 10 75
 Randolph Kruger, 17 hens 34 00
 C. H. Weatherbee, dog officer 42 50
 Edson C. Eastman Co., Inc.,
 supplies 10 50
 Cabinet Press, supplies 2 34

 \$105 09

Health Department:

Appropriation \$50.00

Expended:
 A. L. Martin, supplies \$ 1 77
 Albert Hubley, health officer 12 00
 Coleman Pharmacy, supplies 2 54
 Oscar Burns, M. D. 37 00
 C. H. Weatherbee, health officer 10 70

 \$64 01

Vital Statistics:

Appropriation \$35.00

Expended:
 A. B. Pollard \$ 50
 S. G. Davis, M. D. 25
 N. F. Cheever, M. D. 25
 H. H. Dearborn, M. D. 25
 F. L. Fletcher, M. D. 25

Lucien P. Guay, M. D.	25
S. Fraser, M. D.	25
Rev. A. W. Derbyshire	25
C. B. Frost	50
Rev. C. C. Parker	25
Rev. Leonard B. Allen	25
Rev. Amos F. Chase	1 25
Rev. Harrison L. Packard	25
Rev. William Porter Niles	25
Rev. Otto Lyding	25
Rev. Russell Denison	25
Rev. John D. Kettelle	25
Rev. William Weston	25
Z. B. Kemp	26 25
Oscar Burns, M. D.	4 25

\$36 50

Town Aid:

Appropriation \$2000.00

Expended:

For Mattie Conrey:

A. L. Martin, goods	\$127 62
Angeline Ryan, rent	96 00
Fred Willard, milk	20 00
Roy Parker, wood	9 00
A. B. Hubley, wood	8 00
R. G. Sherman, wood	18 00

For Joseph Martin:

A. L. Martin, goods	207 98
Levee Martin, rent	72 00
Roy Parker, wood	27 00
P. M. Odell, wood	52 00
Oscar Burns, medical care	74 15
Scott Jewelry Co., glasses	9 00

For Arthur Fields:

Oscar Burns, M. D., medical care	40 30
A. L. Martin, goods	9 00

H. R. Elliott, goods	5 00
McLellen Stores	89
For Wesley Fields:	
Adolphe J. Provost, M. D., medical care	50 00
Hillsboro County Hospital, care	20 00
N. H. Children' Aid and Pro- tective Society, board for Robert Hanson	140 00
For Leon Hanson:	
Edith Parker, trip to Man- chester for Viola Hanson	2 50
Julia Levoy, goods	4 00
A. E. Brown, laundry	4 83
Geo. Hilton, M. D., medical care	6 00
Frank Fletcher, M. D., medical care	3 00
Raymond Dyer, medicine	1 25
C. J. Martinage, paint	15 99
Lemay Bros., glasses for Viola Hanson	7 50
R. J. Gainey, summons case	2 20
Clara Gustine Est., rent	6 00
McLellan Stores Co., goods	12 48
A. L. Martin, goods	19 25
H. R. Elliott, goods	57 00
Ernest W. Bunker, labor	25 00
Rubie Philbrook, labor	43 00
Albert Hubley, wood	10 00
R. W. Lawrence, D. M. D.	2 00
For William Lauder:	
Durant Super Service, oil	23 15
H. R. Elliott, goods	67 84
Anna Watts, rent	30 00
Mrs. Archie Carpenter, rent	20 00
Roy Parker, moving	8 00

Earle Roberts, labor	4 75	
Harold Gault, stove	8 00	
Public Service Co., lights	1 69	
A. L. Martin, goods	2 80	
Mrs. Jane Monson, board for Mrs. Florence Lauder and baby	26 00	
Robert Sanford, board for Mrs. Florence Lauder and baby	8 00	
Roy Parker, Overseer of Poor, services	277 69	
For Joseph Barrett: H. R. Elliott, goods	3 50	
For Mrs. Austin Merrill: A. L. Martin, goods	104 00	
		\$1793 36

Old Age Assistance:

Appropriation \$1200.00

Expended:

Old age assistance	\$721 90
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Memorial Day:

Appropriation \$75.00

Expended:

Rodney C. Woodman, plants	\$18 00	
Rev. Edwin B. Young	10 00	
Legion Drum Corps	35 00	
Frank Richardson	3 50	
A. L. Martin	14 28	
		\$80.78

Soldiers' Aid:

Appropriation \$300.00

Expended:

A. L. Martin, goods	\$148 00	
Clara Odell, rent	70 00	
Liggett Drug Store	3 56	
		\$221 56

Parks and Playgrounds:

Appropriation \$175.00

Expended:

C. H. Hagar, labor	\$121 00	
John B. Varick & Co., rakes	2 16	
Ernest Miles, mowing Clark's field	6 00	
C. H. Holt, raking and carting leaves	71 20	
The County Stores, rakes	4 14	
		\$204 50

Cemeteries:

Appropriation \$400.00

Expended:

C. H. Hagar	\$400 00
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Taxes Bought by Town:

Expended:

Paid H. R. Elliott, tax coll.	\$2742 86	
Paid H. R. Elliott, tax coll., exp.	51 25	
		\$2794 11

Town Maintenance:

Appropriation \$3150.00

Fisk Highway Fund \$ 39.29

Expended:

George Howard	\$3883 04	
William Robinson, gravel	5 85	
Ellen B. Brown	5 00	
		\$3893 89

Snow:

Appropriation \$1500.00

Expended:

George Howard	\$1534 87
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Special Oiling Account:

Appropriation \$2000.00

Expended:

George Howard	\$2025 55
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Town Road Aid:

Appropriation \$955.75

Expended:

State of New Hampshire	\$955 75
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N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co. Brush Cutting:

Expended:

C. H. Holt	\$100 00
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General Expense of Department:

Appropriation \$100.00

Expended:

R. C. Hazelton & Co., supplies	\$ 1 50	
George Howard, tractor parts	81 06	
A. W. Converse, supplies, labor	2 85	
		\$85 41

Library:

Appropriation \$400.00

Expended:

Bertha Piper	\$400 00
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Street Lights:

Appropriation \$1250.00

Expended

Public Service Co., lights for village	\$1080 00	
Public Service Co., lights at Baboosic Lake	177 50	
		\$1257 50

Library Fence:

Special Appropriation for Painting

Library Fence \$50.00

Interest:

Appropriation \$700.00

Expended

Souhegan National Bank	\$395 74
A. L. Martin	120 00
Harlan F. Bradford	30 00
J. A. and M. E. Crawford	30 00

George W. Farley	18 33	
Alice M. Wilkins	15 00	
Alice M. Wilkins Est.	15 00	
Viney Perry	37 50	
Harriett C. Came	30 00	
Elizabeth M. Proctor	15 00	
		\$706 57

Auto Permit Fees:

Appropriation \$125.00

Expended:

Z. B. Kemp \$107 50

County Tax:

Appropriation \$8500.00

Expended

Paid Treasurer of Hillsboro County \$6470 22

State Tax:

Appropriation \$3768.00

Expended

Paid Treasurer of New Hampshire \$3472 00

Trustees of Trust Funds:

Trust Funds from:

Charles J., Edward W. and

Herbert G. Upham \$100 00

Annie M. Noyes 100 00

Grace H. Crosby 100 00

Harry W. Carpenter 100 00

\$400 00**Long Term Note:**

Expended:

George W. Farley, Hollis road note \$500 00

Temporary Loans:

Expended:

Souhegan National Bank \$8000 00

J. A. and M. E. Crawford 1000 00

George W. Farley 500 00

\$9500 00

Schools:

Appropriation \$12,976.02

Expended:

Paid school district	\$11,976 06	
Paid dog tax 1936	. 354 41	
		\$12,330 47

Amherst, N. H., Feb. 10, 1938.

We hereby certify that we have this day examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
 ASHTON L. MARTIN,
 Town Auditors.

REPORT OF TAX COLLECTOR

For Year Ending January 31, 1938

1937 TAXES

To amount of warrant:

Property tax	\$39,164 40	
Poll taxes	1266 00	
		\$40,430 40
Extra taxes collected		14 00
Summons charges		15 80
Interest		2 72
		\$40,462 92

By paid treasurer	\$29,210 61	
By paid treasurer,		
summons charges	15 80	
By paid treasurer, interest	2 72	
By discount on taxes paid		
before August 1	213 05	
By abatements	202 40	
By uncollected property tax	10,434 34	
By uncollected poll taxes	384 00	
		\$40,462 92

1936 TAXES

February 1, 1937:

To amount uncollected	\$7934 82	
To interest collected	410 86	
To summons charges		
collected	48 80	
		\$8394 48
By paid treasurer	\$7498 84	
By paid treasurer, interest	410 86	
By paid treasurer,		
summons charges	48 80	
By abatements	204 90	
By uncollected property tax	115 08	
By uncollected poll taxes	116 00	
		\$8394 48

1935 TAXES

February 1, 1937:

To amount uncollected		
property	\$ 21 67	
To amount uncollected polls	101 00	
To interest collected	27	
		\$122 94
By paid treasurer	\$28 12	
By paid treasurer, interest	27	
By abatements	30 00	
By uncollected personal prop'ty	11 55	
By uncollected poll taxes	53 00	
		\$122 94

REDEEMED TAXES

To amount from 1931 tax	\$10 22	
To amount from 1932 tax	44 85	
To amount from 1933 tax	62 78	
To amount from 1934 tax	325 75	
To amount from 1935 tax	510 90	
To amount from 1936 tax	351 41	
To interest collected	131 68	
		\$1437 59
By paid treasurer	\$1305 91	
By paid treasurer, interest	131 68	
		\$1437 59

TAXES SOLD THE TOWN

Sept. 30, 1937, taxes of 1936	\$ 528 62	
Dec. 1, 1937, taxes of 1937 on		
property bought by town	2214 24	
		\$2742 86

ABATEMENTS OF TAXES OWNED BY TOWN

From 1932 tax, Wilemena Rainy,		
double tax		\$19 58
From 1933 tax, Wilemena Rainy,		
double tax		14 19
From 1934, Agnes G. Martell, over tax		11 17

From 1934, John Pickering, unable to locate 9 34

\$54 28

ABATEMENTS FROM 1935 TAX

Andrew Arnold, deceased	\$2 00
Viola B. Martin, unable to pay	2 00
Frederick R. Peters, pays elsewhere	2 00
Anna Mosher, left town	2 00
Gertrude Alberts, non-resident	2 00
Robert and Mrs. R. Vantyn, left town	4 00
Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols, on relief	8 00
Joseph and Minnie Martin, on relief	4 00
Ariel Elliott, deceased	4 00

\$30 00

ABATEMENTS FROM 1936 TAXES

Viola B. Martin, unable to pay	\$2 00
Charles and Edith Bidwell, non-residents	4 50
John H. Morrill, unable to pay	2 00
White Mountain Freezer Co., no property	1 60
Levesque, over tax	3 20
Anna Mosher, non-resident	2 00
Charles Merrill, left town	2 00
Viney Perry, over age	2 00
Martha Shannon, removed from town	2 00
Mary Tingley, removed from town	2 00
Charles Pettingale, over age	2 00
Charles A. Wright, over age	2 00
Celia Fulton, over tax	24 00
Gertrude Alberts, non-resident	2 00
Abbie M. Abbott, left town	2 00
Francis and Helen Brigham, left town	4 00
Dorothy Keyes, pays elsewhere	2 00
Grace M. Wetherbee, left town	2 00
M. S. Sylvester, pays elsewhere	2 00
Elizabeth M. Wilkins, left town	2 00
George Bliss, pays elsewhere	2 00

Kitty Downs, sickness	37 20
H. A. Junkins Est., sickness	70 40
David P. Laird, left town	2 00
Frederick R. Peters, pays elsewhere	2 00
Alice Provencial, left town	2 00
Mrs. William Smith, left town	2 00
Nat and Linda Rockwell, left town	4 00
Mr. and Mrs. John Nichols, left town	4 00
Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lauder, sickness	4 00
John Doyle, left town	2 00
Ariel Elliott, deceased	2 00
Joseph and Minnie Martin, on relief	4 00
	\$204 90

ABATEMENTS FROM 1937 TAX

Geo. F. Upham Est., over tax	\$22 40
Robert Proctor, over tax	19 20
Alfred E. Stearns, depreciation of bldg.	16 00
Robert S. and Edith L. Weaver, over tax	8 00
Newton Stockwell, over tax	6 40
Bell Colby, over tax	9 60
Henry J. Cochran Est., over tax	32 00
David Whiting & Sons Co., over tax	9 60
Gertrude Alberts, non-resident	2 00
Abbie M. Abbott, left town	2 00
E. A. and A. H. Caldwell, double tax	3 20
Herbert Duval, pays elsewhere	2 00
Flora B. Goodale, over age	2 00
Eric J. and Florence J. Junkins, left town	4 00
Dorothy Keyes, pays elsewhere	2 00
Bernice Holt, pays elsewhere	2 00
Oswald Laroque, veteran	22 40
Catherine McNeil, no property	1 60
Marshall and Baum, double tax	3 20
John Peters, over age	2 00
W. B. and Clara A. Reynolds, over age	4 00
Bertha Shedd, pays elsewhere	2 00

James A. Welch, over age	2 00
Elizabeth M. Wilkins, left town	2 00
David P. Laird, left town	2 00
Mrs. John Nichols, on relief	2 00
Joseph and Minnie Martin, on relief	4 00
W. J. and Sadie Lauder, sickness	4 00
Mary A. Garvin, over charge	4 80
Ariel Elliott, deceased	2 00
Erwin Bailey, over age	2 00
	\$202 40

Amherst, N. H., Feb. 10, 1938.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,
Auditors.

REPORT OF ROAD AGENT

OILING ACCOUNT

Appropriation \$2000.00

Received from town	\$2025 55
Payments:	
George Howard, road agent	\$ 37 50
Clinton Holt, truck	52 80
John F. McGuire, truck	10 00
Fred Miles, truck	99 60
Roy Parker, truck	105 60
David Young, truck	52 80
David Crowley, sand	8 25
Clinton Holt, sand	7 50
Melvin Hutchinson, sand	5 45
Forrest Miller, sand	10 15
Koppers Products Co., road oil	1155 20
Koppers Products Co., cold patch	117 60
Donald Bailey, labor	6 80
James R. Blair, labor	7 20
Clarence Douglas, labor	6 80
James Doyle, labor	35 60
Patrick Doyle, labor	17 60
Roland Goodale, labor	3 60
Joseph Gouett, labor	17 60
George Grasset, labor	7 20
Leon Hanson, labor	10 80
Leonard Hayward, labor	3 20
Melvin Hutchinson, labor	18 00
Raymond Keyes, labor	3 20
Edwin Locke, labor	6 80
George Long, labor	10 40
Leslie Miles, labor	18 00
Charles Monson, labor	32 00
Ernest Perkins, labor	6 40
Charles Pettingale, labor	16 80
Ralph Plummer, labor	17 60
William Sanville, labor	24 00

Charles Spencer, labor	6 40
Timothy Sullivan, labor	35 20
Fred Townes, labor	32 00
David Young, labor	10 50
John Young, labor	10 40
	\$2026 55

TOWN ROAD MAINTENANCE

Appropriation \$3150.00

Received from town	\$3883 04
Payments:	
George Howard, road agent	\$293 50
George Howard, car hire	65 00
George Howard, supplies	31 25
Harry Boutelle, foreman W. P. A.	259 50
Walter Ryan, foreman W. P. A.	65 00
Albert LaFrancois, gravel	6 30
George Goodale, gravel	11 85
Forrest Miller, gravel	18 75
William Robinson, gravel	3 90
Elmer Wheeler, gravel	2 25
W. J. Broderick, painting signs	5 00
Oscar Burns, services	3 00
Mrs. Mae Cochran, fence posts	20 00
County Stores, stone hook	1 55
Clark's Garage, grader parts, etc.	139 76
Durant's Service Station, grease	2 50
Eagle Oil and Supply Co., oil	21 30
Millard Goodale, supplies and repairs	47 97
Frank Hartshorn Co., lumber	36 94
Hume Pipe of N. E., Inc., culvert pipe	60 40
Melvin Hutchinson, sand	3 70
R. C. Hazelton Co., tractor parts	90 15
A. L. Martin, supplies, etc.	51 69
Charles Michaud, painting signs	24 00
W. O. Mason, blasting	110 06
Manchester Mach. Works, steering shaft	7 05

Milford Machine Works, welding	60
Milford Motor Co., fan belts	2 00
Mystic Bituminous Prod. Co., cold patch	79 94
John Pesterfield, car hire	5 50
Charles Spencer, car hire	2 00
Samuel Stevens, repairs, town barn	3 50
Standard Oil Co. of N. Y., gasoline	129 21
Charles Pherson, supplies and repairs	55 70
Guy Watkins, power grader	400 00
New Westerly Granite Co., grout	24 00
David Whiting and Sons, dynamite, etc.	1 37
Horace Hanson, team	18 75
Clinton Holt, truck	160 80
Fred Miles, truck	169 20
Roy Parker, truck	270 20
David Young, truck	98 40
Frank Bills, labor	42 60
Guy Bills, labor	32 00
H. R. Bissonette, labor	10 00
Harry Boutelle, labor	42 00
James Doyle, labor	20 80
E. E. Fuller, labor	35 00
Ray Goodale, labor	33 80
Roland Goodale, labor	7 20
Roland Goodwin, labor	29 20
Leon Hanson, labor	61 00
Winslow Hanson, labor	12 80
Harold Hancock, labor	32 00
Leonard Hayward, labor	33 60
Melvin Hutchinson, labor	23 60
Thomas Ingerson, labor	2 80
Melvin Ladd, labor	7 20
George Long, labor	41 80
Leslie Miles, labor	34 20
Charles Monson, labor	3 60
John Pesterfield, labor	42 00
Charles Pettingale, labor	43 00
Walter Ryan, labor	7 20

William Sanville, labor	27 00
Peter Soini, labor	9 60
Timothy Sullivan, labor	13 60
Fred Townes, labor	42 20
David Young, labor	355 95
John Young, labor	34 20

\$3883 04

GENERAL EXPENSE

Clark's Garage, tractor parts	\$81 06
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SNOW ACCOUNT

Appropriation \$1500.00

Received from town	\$1534 87
Payments:	
George Howard, road agent	\$ 48 00
Buffalo Industrial Co., snow fence	276 00
Dyar Sales & Machinery Co., supplies	7 75
A. L. Martin, wire cutters	4 75
Charles Pherson, plow repairs	17 00
David Crowley, sand	1 95
Albert Hubley, sand	3 60
Malcolm Clark, truck	2 00
Clinton Holt, truck	83 38
George Howard, truck	243 60
William Kirby, truck	30 45
Fred Miles, truck	179 55
Roy Parker, truck	145 14
David Young, truck	174 90
Ralph Bidwell, labor	9 20
Frank Bills, labor	8 40
Guy Bills, labor	36 80
George Boutelle, labor	5 60
Harry Boutelle, labor	20 40
Roland Boucher, labor	6 40
Dwight Brown, labor	14 00
Arthur Field, labor	1 60
Reginald Going, labor	27 20

Roland Goodwin, labor	11 60
Harold Hancock, labor	30 00
Leonard Hayward, labor	25 80
William Holt, labor	3 80
Maurice Merrill, labor	12 80
Leslie Miles, labor	29 40
Voscoe Plummer, labor	6 40
John Pesterfield, labor	26 80
Charles Pettingale, labor	10 40
Clarence Roberts, labor	4 80
Charles Spencer, labor	10 40
Fred Townes, labor	11 20
David Young, labor	4 80
	\$1535 87

We hereby certify that we have this day examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,

Auditors.

Amherst, N. H., Feb. 10, 1938.

A total of \$3883.04 was spent for the maintenance of town highways for the year February 1, 1937 to January 31, 1938. This amount may be divided into the following divisions and amounts:

Road agent's account, \$400, includes salary, car hire and expenses; W. P. A. project, \$600, includes foreman's salary, sharpening tools, materials purchased, and blasting on Baboosic Lake Road; posting and closing roads, \$80.00, includes lumber, making and painting signboards (several years ago it was voted to close several roads but this was never done. These signs were made with the idea of

closing these roads but lack of funds did not permit this); gravel patch, \$300, includes filling of mud-holes and washouts; gravelling, \$175, includes several short stretches of road gravelled; tools and equipment, \$800, includes purchase of power grader, rubber tires and other equipment for the grader, shovels, picks and other small tools; machining roads, \$900, includes about six weeks' work in Milford (received \$313.25 from Milford); patching, \$225, includes purchase of cold patch, mixing and applying to roads; culverts, \$100, includes purchase of pipe and re-laying of several stone culverts; grader expense, \$225, includes gas, oil and repairs; miscellaneous expenses, \$75.

A total of \$2025.55 was spent for oiling roads. Approximately \$200 of this amount was spent for patching roads before oiling. The roads oiled under this account were: Baboosic road, 2 miles, Cemetery road, Upper Flanders, Mont Vernon Street, Depot Street, and Foundry Street.

A total of \$1534.87 was spent for snow removal. This included \$276 for the purchase of snow fence. Approximately \$200 was spent for the erecting and taking down of snow fence. The remainder was spent for plowing snow.

Under the T. R. A. appropriation this year the following work was accomplished: the Baboosic road constructed in 1936 was oiled, the Parker road was oiled, Church Street was constructed and oiled, a short piece connecting the Mont Vernon road was constructed and oiled, Border Street was gravelled, Souhegan Street gravelled, and 8650 feet of the South Merrimack road was gravelled commencing at Cricket Corner.

In regard to appropriations for 1938-39 I should advise the following amounts: Maintenance, \$4500; Snow, \$3000; Oiling, \$1500.

Under maintenance I have made the following

divisions: Grader, \$400, for gas, oil, repairs, etc.; Patching \$500, Fencing \$250, Culverts \$500, Road Agent \$500, Blasting and Drainage \$500, Gravelling \$500, Grader Operator \$400, Brush \$500, Tools and Equipment \$200, Miscellaneous \$300.

Snow removal is purely guess work as regard to cost. I would advise the above amount rather than any less. It is better not to spend quite all of the appropriation rather than overrun.

Under oiling I would state that the following roads need oil: Baboosic road from Wilbert Parker's to Andrew Spalding's; Parker road and the new piece at Baboosic; new pieces in the village. Roads that have been constructed under T. R. A. will require only sanding as the state will purchase the oil used if T. R. A. funds are voted at town meeting.

GEORGE H. HOWARD,
Road Agent.

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK

For the Year Ending January 31, 1938

This is to certify that I have issued Permits for the Registration of Motor Vehicles from February 1, 1937 to January 31, 1938 inclusive to the amounts as follows:

For the year 1937	\$1,275 09
For the year 1938	27 16

Total	\$1,302 25
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And have paid the same to the Town Treasurer.

Z. B. KEMP,
Town Clerk.

This is to certify that I have received for Dog Licenses issued from February 1, 1937 to January 31, 1938 inclusive amounts as follows:

158 males at \$2.00 each	\$316 00
1 male at \$1.67	1 67
1 male at \$1.50	1 50
1 male at \$1.00	1 00
21 females at \$5.00 each	105 00
2 kennel licenses at \$12.00 each	24 00

Total	\$449 17
Less commission (184 licenses at 20c each)	36 80

Balance paid to Town Treasurer	\$412 37
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Z. B. KEMP,

Town Clerk.

This is to certify that I have issued Sunday Licenses from February 1, 1937 to January 31, 1938 inclusive to the amount of \$13.00 and have paid the same to the Town Treasurer.

Z. B. KEMP,
Town Clerk.

Amherst, N. H., Feb. 10, 1938.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,
Town Auditors.

SEXTON'S REPORT

Reporting on the Cemeteries I find the greatest problem for the future is a Cemetery. For those that have lots no anxiety is felt, but for new lots it is sifted down to six double lots.

We hate to think of it, but an epidemic like 1918 would be very disasterous and grave.

For the benefit of those not familiar with the conditions, there are three restrictions forbidding any burials within a certain distance of said houses as in restrictions.

It sifts down to the town buying a piece of ground suitable, free from restrictions, and start a new Cemetery.

Please think this over seriously and discuss it at the Town Meeting as something has got to be done.

CLARENCE H. HAGAR, Sexton

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST, N. H.

For the Year Ending January 31, 1938

RECEIPTS

On hand February 1, 1937:

Souhegan Checking Account	\$967 67
Accrued int. in Souhegan Sav. Dept.	160 06
Accrued int. in Nashua Trust Co.	96 26
Accrued int. in Wilton Savings Dept.	80 92
Total amount of int. received in 1937	1154 19

Total	\$2459 10
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PAYMENTS

Amount paid out during the year 1937 \$1323 85

On hand February 1, 1938:

In Souhegan Checking Account	740 90
Souhegan Savings Dept.	203 48
Nashua Trust Co.	88 24
Wilton Savings Dept.	102 63

Total	\$2459 10
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CHARLES W. GOING,
FREDERICK W. BROWN,
HAROLD H. WILKINS,
Trustees.

Amherst, N. H., Feb. 10, 1938.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,
Town Auditors.

REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF AMHERST FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1938

Name of Fund and Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount of Principal	Bal. Income Feb. 1, 1937	Income during yr.	Expended 1937	Bal. on Hand
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 1	Amoskeag Savings Bank	\$8,775.00				
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 2	Mechanics Savings Bank	2,000.00				
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 3	Souhegan Savings	4,035.00	\$967.67	\$497.10	\$723.87	\$740.90
Amal. Cemetery Fund No. 4	Manchester Savings	3,200.00				
Special Cemetery Fund	Souhegan Savings	2,000.00	160.06			203.48
Fiske Cemetery Fund	Mechanics Savings Bank	1,000.00		43.42	30.46	
Fiske Highway Fund	Manchester Savings Bank	1,300.00		30.46	39.29	
Parker Cemetery & Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	1,000.00		30.23	30.23	
Spaulding School Fund	15 shares Peterboro, R.R. Bonds—Milford Sch. Dist.	1,500.00		52.50	52.50	
Spaulding School Fund	New Hampshire Savings	3,000.00		21.25	21.25	
Spaulding School Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	3,000.00		90.00	90.00	
Spaulding School Fund	Wilton Savings Dept. *	3,500.00		* 55.33	55.33	
Nutt School Fund	New Hampshire Savings	1,000.00		* 20.10	20.10	
A. Lawrence School Fund	Second National Nashua	5,000.00		150.00	150.00	
Miss Lawrence School Fund	Nashua Trust Co.	1,500.00		30.15	30.15	
French Library Fund	Amoskeag Savings Bank	500.00	96.26	11.98	20.00	88.24
Emma L. Clark Library Fund	Mechanics Savings Bank	1,000.00		30.23	30.23	
Geo. W. George Library Fund	Mechanics Savings Bank	500.00		15.22	15.22	
Geo. W. Putnam Cem. Fund	Wilton Savings Bank	500.00		15.22	15.22	
		1,000.00	80.92	21.71		102.63
	Totals,	\$43,310.00	\$1,304.91	\$1,154.19	\$1,323.85	\$1,135.25

* NOTE.—City of Laconia Bonds maturing during 1937 were deposited in Amoskeag Bank on Book No. 126575.

Milford School District Bond maturing during 1937 was deposited in Wilton Bank on Book No. 2150.

Gifts for Permanent Care received during 1937:

Grace H. Crosby, additional gift, \$100; Annie M. Noyes, additional gift, \$100; Harry W. Carpenter, care of Lots Nos. 190 and 814, \$100; Chas. J. Upham and others, care of Jacob Upham Lot at Cricket Corner, \$100.

All the above deposited in Amal. Cemetery Fund No. FOUR.

FIFTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY

OFFICERS

George H. Howard,	President
Bertha Piper,	Secretary and Treasurer
Rosalie Norris,	Librarian

TRUSTEES

Bertha Piper	Term expires 1938
George Howard	Term expires 1938
J. A. Crawford	Term expires 1939
Pearl Perry	Term expires 1939
Caroline S. Fisher	Term expires 1940
Dorothy Davis	Term expires 1940

TREASURER'S REPORT

February 1, 1938

Dr.

Balance	\$ 2 96	
Appropriation	400 00	
Fines	14 10	
French Fund	30 23	
Clark Fund	15 22	
George Fund	15 22	
Parker Fund	00 00	
		\$477 73

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Cleaning and supplies	\$ 1 25
Lights	12 00
Care of grounds	12 80
Librarian's salary	180 00
Fuel	45 75
Books	124 00

Binding	25 00	
Supplies	14 70	
Magazines	55 90	
Balance	6 33	
		\$477 73

ITEMIZED ACCOUNT

1937

Mar. 15, Lights, February	\$ 1 00
Apr. 10, Phoebe Crawford, librarian,	
Feb., Mar.	30 00
May 14, Lights, Mar. Apr.	2 00
May 26, Lights, May	1 00
July 14, Coal, Haseltine and Caldwell	41 25
July 16, Lights, June	1 00
July 22, Phoebe Crawford, librarian,	
April, May, June	45 00
July 22, Junior Literary Guild, books	74 00
July 22, Dura Binding Co., books	25 00
July 30, Lights, July	1 00
Aug. 1, Donald Stockwell, care of grounds	1 50
Aug. 4, Albert Hubley, wood	4 50
Aug. 30, J. Arthur Crawford, care of grounds	7 75
Aug. 30, Donald Stockwell, care of grounds	1 05
Aug. 30, Lights, August	1 00
Sept. 30, C. Fisher, care of grounds	1 50
Sept. 30, Phoebe Crawford, librarian,	
July, Aug., Sept.	45 00
Nov. 15, Lights, Sept., Oct.	2 00
Nov. 28, Lights, November	1 00
Nov. 23, Goodmans, books	4 70
Dec. 1, Phoebe Crawford, Oct., Nov.	30 00
Dec. 30, Clarence Hagar, mowing lawn	1 00

1938

Jan. 12, Harry Burt, magazines	55 90
Jan. 24, Lights, Dec., Jan.	2 00

Jan. 28, Rosalie Norris, librarian,	
Dec., Jan.	30 00
Jan. 28, Personal Bookshop, books	50 00
Jan. 28, George Howard, librarian's supplies	10 00
Jan. 28, Rosalie Norris, cleaning windows and supplies.	1 25
	\$471 40

BERTHA PIPER,
Treasurer.

Amherst, N. H., Feb. 11, 1938.

We hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing account and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,
Auditors for Town of Amherst, N. H.

ANNUAL REPORTS OF THE
OFFICERS OF THE

SCHOOL DISTRICT

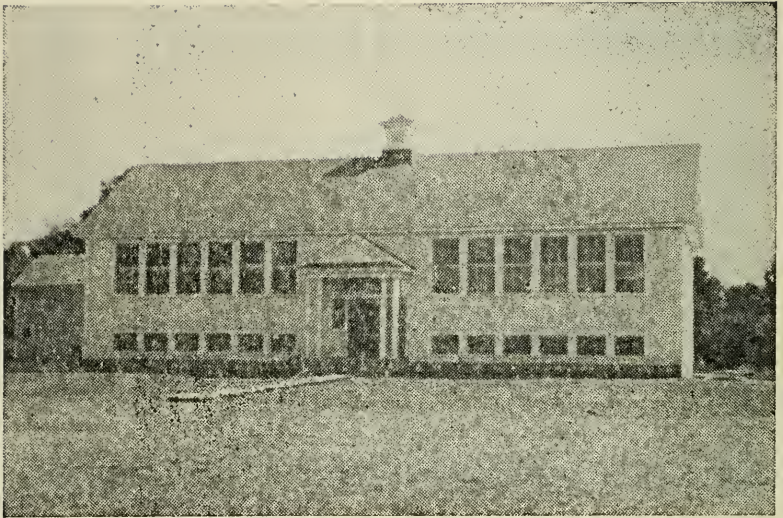
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New Two-Room Elementary School Building

Built During the Summer of 1937

FOUNDRY STREET, AMHERST, N. H.

Amherst School District

SCHOOL OFFICERS

School Board	Term Expires
Mr. Ralph P. Currier, Chairman	1939
Mrs. Wolcott S. Telfer, Secretary	1940
Mr. Arthur L. Underwood	1938

Harold C. Bales, Milford, N. H.	Superintendent
Z. B. Kemp	Clerk and Treasurer
Harold Wilkins	Moderator
Oscar Burns, M. D.	School Physician
Miss Venita H. Carter, R. N.	School Nurse
Malcolm D. Clark	Truant Officer
James Phelps	Janitor

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 1937-1938

Begin	Close
September 7, 1937	November 24, 1937
November 29, 1937	December 23, 1937
January 3, 1938	February 18, 1938
February 28, 1938	April 22, 1938
May 2, 1938	June—to be determined

PROPOSED CALENDAR FOR 1938-1939

Begin	Close
September 6, 1938	November 23, 1938
November 28, 1938	December 23, 1938
January 3, 1939	February 17, 1939
February 27, 1939	April 21, 1939
May 1, 1939	June—to be determined

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL MEETING

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the School District in the
Town of Amherst, qualified to vote
in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 8th day of March 1938, at two o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year, July 1, 1938 to June 30, 1939.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.

9. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for special repairs and alterations of school property, for new equipment, or for new construction.

10. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate for insurance of school property.

11. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Amherst this 14th day of February, 1938.

RALPH P. CURRIER,
WOLCOTT STUART TELFER,
A. L. UNDERWOOD,
School Board.

REPORT OF SCHOOL BOARD

Financial Report of Amherst School District for Fiscal Year July 1, 1936 to June 30, 1937

Total Receipts	\$17,275 49
Total Payments	15,191 04

Balance on hand June 30, 1937	\$2,084 45
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RECEIPTS

From State:

Equalization fund (State Aid)	\$1090 18
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From Selectmen Raised by Taxation:

By appropriation voted March 1936	12,937 00
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From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog licenses	\$354 41
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Income from Trust Funds	538 98
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High School tuitions	39 25
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Elementary school tuitions	2 00
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Sale of Border Street School	600 00
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Money borrowed	1000 00
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Rebates and sales	8 75
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2543 39

Total Receipts from all sources	\$16,570 57
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Cash on hand July 1, 1936	704 92
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GRAND TOTAL	\$17,275.49
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PAYMENTS

July 1, 1936 to June 30, 1937

(Classification and numbering conform to state accounting system required in state-aided districts)

Administration:

1. Salaries of district officers	\$192 00
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2. Supt.'s salary account	272 00
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3. Truant officer & school census	50 00
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4. Expenses of administration	218 24
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\$732 24

Instruction:

5. Teachers' salaries	\$7425 00	
6. Text books	293 08	
7. Scholars' supplies	194 84	
8. Flags and appurtenances	8 99	
9. Other expenses of instruction	79 80	
		\$8001 71

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:

10. Janitor service	\$550 00	
11. Fuel	274 24	
12. Water, light and janitor's supplies	184 60	
13. Minor repairs and expenses	130 30	
		\$1139 14

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

14. Medical inspection	\$177 49	
15. Transportation of pupils	3113 50	
16. High school and academy tuition	00 00	
17. Elementary school tuition	808 00	
18. Other special activities	30 35	
		\$4129 34

Fixed Charges:

19. Tax for state-wide super- vision	\$458 00	
20. Insurance and other fixed charges	110 00	
		\$568 00

Outlay for Construction and Equipment:

21. Lands and new buildings	\$00 00	
22. Alterations of old buildings	213 00	
23. New equipment	26 93	
		\$239 93

Debt, Interest and Other Charges :

24. Payment of princ. of debt	\$00 00	
25. Payment of interest on debt	00 00	

26. Payments of notes or bills		
from previous year	00 00	
		\$00 00

Specials:

27. New Elementary bldg. to July 1, '37	\$380 68	
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Total Payments for All Purposes	*\$15,191 04	
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*** Expenditures Distributed as Follows:**

General expenses—regular	\$1540 17	
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New building	380 68	
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For support of high school	3663 92	
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For support of elementary schools	9606 27	
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\$15,191 04

PAYMENTS IN DETAIL

July 1, 1936 to June 30, 1937

1. Salaries of District Officers:

Ralph P. Currier, school board	\$50 00	
Wolcott S. Telfer, school board	50 00	
Arthur L. Underwood, sch. board	50 00	
Z. B. Kemp, treasurer	30 00	
Harold Wilkins, moderator	4 00	
Z. B. Kemp, clerk	4 00	
Malcolm D. Clark, auditor	2 00	
Ashton L. Martin, auditor	2 00	
		\$192 00

2. Superintendent's Salary Account:

Harry N. Thomas, Treas., Union No. 40,		
account of Harold C. Bales	\$272 00	

3. Truant Officer and School Census:

Malcolm D. Clark, truant officer	\$25 00	
Eleanore Wilkins, census enum.	25 00	
		\$50 00

4. Expenses of Administration:

Florence Baker, post., env., paper \$	85	
Harold C. Bales, toll calls	30	

Cabinet Press, adv. re bids	1 80	
Cole Printing Co., vouchers	6 19	
Edson C. Eastman Co., 10 ledger sheets	80	
Z. B. Kemp, deed for Border St. school	2 50	
Keystone Press, bands for book stamp, headmaster's stamp	1 50	
Howard F. Mason, 1/2 exp. Ply- mouth meeting, postage, tel- ephone rebate	18 00	
James P. Melzer Est., enum. cards	1 15	
Milford School District, warrants, toll calls	65	
Nylander's Express, cartage on typewriter	50	
W. A. Proctor, Treas. bond	4 00	
Harry N. Thomas, Treas. Union No. 40, acct. clerk and office expenses	180 00	
		\$218 24

5. Teachers' Salaries:

Florence M. Baker, High-VII-VIII	\$1050 00	
Charlotte A. Boutelle, Grades III-IV	900 00	
Ruth E. Forbes, Grades I-II	884 75	
Violet Consigli, sub.	4 00	
Lizzie M. Steele, sub.	11 25	
Mary F. Gott, Grades V-VI	848 00	
Lizzie M. Steele, sub.	2 00	
Russell S. Hanson, High-VII-VIII	850 00	
Howard F. Mason, Hdm., High-VII-VIII	1500 00	
Bertha L. Piper, High-VII-VIII	1200 00	
Elsie F. Wheeler, Music	175 00	
		\$7425 00

High \$3059.00; Elem. \$4366.00

6. Text Books:

Allyn and Bacon	\$43 55
American Book Co.	27 55
Boston Music Co.	5 51
Civic Education Service	20 00
Dura Binding Co.	5 43
Ginn and Co.	38 24
Laidlaw Bros.	1 80
Macmillan Co.	40 54
Row Peterson and Co.	17 55
The Readers' Digest	1 50
Science Service	2 50
Scott, Foresman and Co.	28 01
Silver, Burdett and Co.	3 53
L. W. Singer Co.	45 94
John C. Winston Co.	6 10
World Book Co.	5 33

\$293 08

High \$172.02; Elem. \$121.06

7. Scholars' Supplies:

Edward E. Babb and Co.	\$86 52
H. Bean	59
Cambosco Scientific Co.	29 61
J. L. Hammett Co.	34 38
Houghton Mifflin Co.	2 40
A. L. Martin	60
Milford School District	77
Henry S. Wolkins	36 07
World Book Co.	3 90

\$194 84

High \$69.55; Elem. \$125.29

8. Flags and Appurtenances:

A. W. Converse, paint'g flag pole	\$7 00
A. L. Martin, flag rope	1 99

\$8 99

High \$3.15; Elem. \$5.84

9. Other Expenses of Instruction:

Edward E. Babb & Co., duplicating material	\$17 51	
Harold C. Bales, typewriter and diploma ribbon	93	
Beckley-Cardy Co., hectograph books	2 16	
G. N. Bosworth, almanacs	2 10	
The Cabinet Press, report cards	37 00	
The Continental Press, record books	1 81	
J. L. Hammett Co., diplomas	9 32	
Harper & Bros, reference book	96	
Hollis School Dist., ref. book	71	
Milford School Dist., Current Events Yearbook	20	
Public School Pub. Co., spelling scales	72	
Silver Burdett & Co., ref. book	1 09	
Mrs. Guy E. Speare, 1 "More N. H. Folk Tales"	90	
Webster Pub. Co., record books	1 33	
A. C. Wiles, reference books	3 06	
		\$79 80
High \$31.72; Elem. \$48.08		

10. Janitor Service:

James Phelps, village building	\$550 00
High \$137.50; Elem. \$412.50	

11. Fuel:

Albert Hubley, wood (160 cu. ft.)	\$ 8 00	
Roy S. Parker, coal (28 T. 720 lbs.)	255 24	
E. H. Peaslee, slabs (320 cu. ft.)	11 00	
		\$274 24

High \$66.31; Elem. \$207.93

12. Water, Light and Janitor's Supplies:

Cheshire Chemical Co., 10 cases		
towels	\$33	50
Emerson & Son, 2 brushes	10	42
A. L. Martin, supplies	2	44
Masury-Young Co., soap dis-		
pensers, floor treatment	54	56
Public Service Co., service	83	68
		\$184 60

High \$47.24; Elem. \$137.36

13. Minor Repairs and Expenses:

Florence M. Baker, mirror	\$	25	
A. W. Converse, painting	32	00	
Warren H. Chase, lumber	92		
The County Stores, Inc.,			
ventilators	2	20	
H. W. Donaghy, labor, materials	15	78	
Emerson and Son, chair	2	00	
A. L. Martin, supplies	9	36	
Milford School District,			
rent of sander	10	00	
Wm. L. Nutting, tuning pianos	6	00	
Roy S. Parker, moving ashes	12	00	
Earle C. Roberts, repairs	9	82	
Carl W. Talbot, refinishing desks	21	30	
Underwood Elliott Fisher Co.,			
typewriter repairs	3	75	
United Metal Box Co., waste			
receptacle	2	80	
C. M. Wallace, labor	2	12	
			\$130 30

High \$25.93; Elem. \$104.37

14. Medical Inspection:

Dr. Oscar Burns, med. inspec.	\$87	50
Milford Red Cross		

Nurse service	87 50	
First aid supplies	2 49	
		\$177 49
High \$44.50; Elem. \$132.99		

15. Transportation:

Malcolm D. Clark	\$3100 00	
Henry LaPointe	13 50	
		\$3113 50
All Elementary		

17. Elementary School Tuition:

Merrimack School District,		
3 pupils	\$108 00	
Milford School District,		
21 pupils	700 00	
		\$808 00

18. Other Special Activities:

Edward E. Babb & Co., play-		
ground equipment	\$4 70	
Lavinia Glover, rest room service	5 00	
A. L. Martin, supplies for		
dramatics	65	
Wolcott S. Telfer, paid for Law-		
rence prizes	20 00	
		\$30 35
High \$7.00; Elem. \$23.35		

19. Tax for State-Wide Supervision:

State Treasurer, \$2 per capita tax for each		
pupil registered in 1935-1936		\$458 00

20. Insurance and Other Fixed Charges:

Congregational Church of Amherst,		
rent of annex	\$100 00	
Rotch Insurance Agency, \$1000		
on Border St. School, exp.		
1937-4-19	10 00	
		\$110 00

(Cancellation Border Street Insurance
rebate \$2.70)

22. Alterations of Old Buildings:

Chamberlain Metal Weather Strip Co., weather stripping for High School bldg.	\$100 00	
(Bal. due Aug. 1937, \$100)		
Earle C. Roberts, plumbing at High School	113 00	
		\$213 00

23. New Equipment:

Emerson and Son, 2 shades	\$4 95	
Chas. Pherson, fire escape ladder	14 00	
A. L. Martin, rubbish burner	7 98	
		\$26 93

27. New Elementary Building

(through June 30, 1937 only)

Wallace Durkee, labor	\$90 30	
Edson C. Eastman Co., note forms	5 15	
Leslie Miles, trucking	6 60	
Palm and Koleh, granite	102 00	
George Parker, labor	42 00	
Roy Parker, labor	41 00	
Roy Wheeler, labor	58 63	
Fred Willard, labor	35 00	
		\$380 68

Total Payments		\$15,191 04
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Audited July 12, 1937.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,
Auditors.

BUDGET**July 1, 1938 to June 30, 1939****A. Amount Required for Support of Schools:**

	Voted Mar. 1937 for 1937-1938	Proposed for 1938-1939
Teachers' salaries	\$7800 00	\$7800 00
Textbooks	300 00	300 00
Scholars' supplies	200 00	200 00
Flags and appurtenances	10 00	10 00
Other exp. of instruction	75 00	60 00
Janitor service	550 00	625 00
Fuel	400 00	500 00
Water, light and janitor's supplies	150 00	175 00
Minor repairs and expenses	250 00	250 00
Health supervision	175 00	175 00
Transportation of pupils	3118 00	3150 00
Payment of elem. tuitions	950 00	800 00
Other special activities	40 00	40 00
	\$14018 00	\$14085 00

B. Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of school board	\$150 00	\$150 00
Salary of treasurer	50 00	50 00
Salary of truant officer and census enumerator	50 00	50 00
Salary of clerk	4 00	4 00
Salary of auditors	4 00	4 00
Salary of moderator	4 00	4 00
Supt.'s salary account	300 00	272 00
\$2 per capita tax	456 00	486 00
Administration	225 00	225 00
Rent of annex	100 00	
Payment of principal of debt		1000 00
Payment of interest on debt		195 00
	\$1343 00	\$2440 00

C. Specials:

Insurance	\$100 00
Weather stripping	100 00
	\$200 00

Estimated Income:

Balance June 30	\$400 00	\$100 00
State Aid	1484 94	1261 88
Dog tax	200 00	200 00
Trust funds	500 00	500 00
	\$2584 94	\$2061 88

Summary of Recommendations for 1938-1939:

A. Amount required for support of schools	\$14,035 00
B. Amount required for statutory and other obligations	2,440 00
Total A and B	\$16,525 00
Less estimated income	2,061 88

Assessment required for School

Board's Budget for school year	
July 1, 1938 to June 30, 1939	\$14,463 12
(Voted Mar. 1937 for 1937-1938	\$12,976.06)
(Voted Mar. 1936 for 1936-1937	\$12,837.00)

RALPH P. CURRIER,
WOLCOTT S. TELFER,
ARTHUR L. UNDERWOOD,
School Board of Amherst.

February 14, 1938.

REPORT OF TREASURER

July 1, 1936 to June 30, 1937

Balance on hand from previous year	\$704 92
Appropriation for 1936-1937 as voted March 1936	\$12,937 00
Dog tax of 1936	354 41
Trust Funds:	
Spalding Fund	\$333 79
Nutt School Fund	150 00
Aaron Lawrence School Fund	35 19
Miss Lawrence School Fund	20 00
	538 98
State Treasurer (State Aid)	1090 18
Money borrowed for New Elem. Building	1000 00
Sale of Border Street school	600 00
Elementary School tuitions	2 00
High School tuitions	39 25
Miscellaneous sales and rebates	8 75
	\$16,570 57
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$17,275 49
Less School Board's orders paid	15,191 04
Balance on hand as of June 30, 1937	\$2,084 45

Z. B. KEMP,
District Treasurer.

June 30, 1937.

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Amherst of which the above is a true summary

for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1937, and find them correct in all respects.

MALCOLM D. CLARK,
ASHTON L. MARTIN,

July 12, 1937.

Auditors.

**ABSTRACT OF CLERK'S REPORT TO STATE
BOARD OF EDUCATION, SCHOOL BOARD,
AND SELECTMEN**

**District Revenue Voted March 9, 1937 for Fiscal
Year July 1, 1937 to June 30, 1938:**

Amounts appropriated for:

Support of high school	\$ 3755 80	
Support of elem. schools	10,262 20	
		\$14,018 00

Salaries of district officers	\$212 00	
Truant officer & school census	50 00	
Superintendent's salary account	300 00	
\$2 per capita tax for super-		
vision	456 00	
Administration	225 00	
Rent of annex	100 00	
		1343 00

Special appropriations:

Insurance	\$100 00	
Weatherstripping	100 00	
		200 00

Total Amount of School Board's Budget		
and special appropriations	\$15,561 00	
Less estimated income	2,584 94	

Total amount to be raised	\$12,976.06
Authorization to Incur Debt:	
For serial notes on New Primary Bldg.	\$7000 00

March 10, 1937.

Z. B. KEMP,
Clerk of School District.

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Board of Amherst:

I herewith submit my nineteenth report which is the twenty-ninth in the series of such reports.

Supervisory School Union No. 40

The School Districts in the Union are Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Milford, and Mont Vernon. Hollis came into the Union July 1, 1933.

The several School Boards of a Supervisory Union together constitute a joint committee which meets annually between April 1st and June 1st at a time and place fixed by the Chairman of this joint committee. This committee organizes and chooses a Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer. At the present time Mr. Francis C. Reagan of Mont Vernon is Chairman, Mrs. Jennie S. Fessenden of Brookline is Secretary, and Mr. Raymond A. Dyer of Milford the Treasurer. This joint Board nominates a Superintendent of Schools, fixes his salary and apportions the salary among the several districts. A Union may add such amount as they determine to the minimum amount paid by the state which at present is \$2000. The additional amount voted by the Union for the current year ending June 30, 1938 is \$1600. This is divided among the several districts as follows: Amherst 17%, Brookline 8%, Hollis 14%, Milford 56%, and Mont Vernon 5%.

This joint committee also has authorized the employment of a clerk in the Superintendent's office. For salary of clerk and other office expenses the Union has appropriated \$890 distributed as follows: Amherst \$151.30, Brookline \$71.20, Hollis \$124.60, Milford \$498.40, and Mont Vernon \$44.50.

In nominating a Superintendent of Schools each district is entitled to three representatives having one vote each on the joint Board. Each district employing more than eight full-time teachers is entitled

to one additional vote for each five teachers or major part in excess of eight, hence, each district has three votes and Milford four additional.

ELEMENTARY AGE-GRADE TABLE AS OF JANUARY 31, 1938

Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Totals
Age 5-6	5								5
Age 6-7	14	1							15
Age 7-8	4	5	2						11
Age 8-9		6	9	1					16
Age 9-10		3	6	9	3				21
Age 10-11			2	1	5				8
Age 11-12			3	4	6	7	1		21
Age 12-13				1	2	3	9	2	17
Age 13-14				2	4	2	7	3	18
Age 14-15					2	1	1	3	7
Age 15-16							1	3	4
Over 16								1	1
Totals	23	15	22	18	22	13	19	12	144
Girls	7	10	12	9	10	5	10	7	70
Boys	16	5	10	9	12	8	9	5	74

Enrollment as of January 31 for the past ten years in elementary schools: 145; 140; 133; 147; 150; 128; 153; 170; 168; 167.

Total number of pupils in Amherst schools	190
Elementary tuition pupils at Milford, January 31, 1938	16
Elementary tuition pupils at Merrimack, January 31, 1938	2
Grand Total, including tuition pupils as of Jan. 31, 1938	208

ENROLLMENT AS OF JANUARY 31, 1938

AMHERST HIGH SCHOOL

Grades	IX	X	XI	XII	Totals
Girls	6	8	4	11	29
Boys	8	2	5	2	17
Totals	14	10	9	13	46
Age 14-15	6	3			9
Age 15-16	5	4	2		11
Age over 16	3	3	7	13	26
Totals	14	10	9	13	46

Enrollment as of January 31 for the past ten years:
46; 41; 47; 58; 56; 64; 48; 37; 28; 29.

Teachers and Instruction

One change only has occurred in the teaching staff. Mr. Howard F. Mason, after two years of successful service as Headmaster, accepted a similar position at a substantial increase in salary at Lincoln High School and in his place Mr. Gordon R. Ayer of Keene was appointed. Mr. Ayer is a graduate of the University of New Hampshire and Keene Normal and has taught four years—one year in Penacook and three years in Walpole.

During last summer, 1937, Mr. Ayer, Mr. Mason and Mr. Hanson all attended New Hampshire University and Miss Gott studied at Keene Normal School.

All other teachers have had several years of experience and in most cases have attended summer school one or more years since coming to Amherst. Such a situation is a fortunate one because instruction is very likely to suffer with frequent changes in teachers or when teachers fail to keep abreast of the times. The staff in Amherst are interested in teaching and in children, which means that they would quite agree with Angelo Patri who puts it thus:

“I would like to teach every child in the schools, every student in the colleges, every worker in apprenticeship, to study to perfect themselves physically, mentally, morally, through their chosen work. That is their business. It is also the business of their elders. The first step forward in any cause begins with the perfection of the individual, within his own soul.”

Adult Education

The Milford correspondence center, so-called, as started last year is being continued by the State Board of Education under the Works Progress Administration. Mr. Albert N. French of Durham continues in charge. His schedule brings him to this territory each Tuesday and Wednesday.

Three fields of study are available—as follows: courses in social studies; courses in engineering; courses in academic subjects.

At present about one hundred eighty persons are registered. Study courses and textbooks are furnished without cost to the enrollee. Although most of the study is done at home, a weekly conference with Mr. French is expected. For further information consult Mr. French or the Superintendent of Schools.

New Elementary Building

Acting under article nine in the 1937 school warrant the District authorized funds for the building of a new two-room elementary school. A building committee was at once appointed and the building was completed for occupancy at the opening of school in September 1937. This building fills a much needed want for relieving congestion at the High School building, eliminates the rental of the upper room in the Congregational Church property and makes it possible to close all rural schools. A full report of the building committee will be found elsewhere.

Rural Schools

No rural schools are maintained at the present time. It may be of interest to have recorded what has happened to the various buildings. The table below gives the story:

(Numbers indicate original district numbers.)

1. Village building—described above.
2. Border Street: Sold to Mr. Whitfield Wiles June 18, 1937 for \$600. This included the building and land. School was last held in this building during 1930-1931.
3. Cricket Corner: This building was closed in June 1935. The District has already authorized the School Board to sell this property.
4. Christian Hill: School was last held in 1913.

The property is now owned by Mr. H. L. Patterson who purchased it for \$137.50.

5. Ponemah: This school was closed in June 1928 and the building sold for \$65* in April 1933 to Mr. Edward Bartlett, who moved it across the road where it has been made into a dwelling house.

6. Pond Parish: School has not been held in this building for many years. It was finally sold in June 1934 to Jean Eustis for \$25.

7. Greeley: This school was closed in 1930 and was sold at auction on April 29, 1933 for \$210.* It is now owned by Miss Bertha L. Piper.

8: North: This school was closed in June 1930 and the building sold in 1935-1936 to Mr. R. G. Sherman who remodelled it into a house. The District presumably had no clear title to the land.

9. Chestnut Hill: This school was closed in 1919 and finally sold at auction on May 15, 1933 to Mr. J. E. Hughes for \$103.50. It has since been used as a summer home.

10. This building was located on the Manchester Road near property owned by Mr. Lincoln and was purchased on January 9, 1930 for \$155 by Mr. Charles Pherson who moved it about half a mile nearer Amherst village where it was made into a dwelling, but later it burned to the ground.

* Expenses for sale of Greeley and Ponemah schools amounting to \$45.55 should be deducted to secure net proceeds.

Brick Building

This structure, which was built in the 1850's, still serves as a High School and for grades V, VI, VII, VIII. The vote of May 1853 was to erect a two-story brick building on land which was purchased from Mr. William Reed for \$200. In June 1855 the bell was given by Mr. Aaron Lawrence to whom a vote of thanks was extended by the district in 1856.

Grades V-VI are now using the former primary

room—the north room on the ground floor. These grades have been housed in rented quarters since September 1935. The room vacated by grades III-IV is used as a class room for grades VII-XII.

The building has been painted inside fairly recently, floors have been de-oiled and waxed, a ventilating system has been installed, electric clocks were purchased in 1937 in place of the old common clocks which were worn out, and doors and windows of the entire building have been weather-stripped.

Needs for the future include a new floor in the High School room, completion of ventilation, laboratory stools, refinishing of blackboards, extension of water line to the second floor, better heat for laboratory use such as Pyrofax gas, and painting of exterior.

Transportation

Now that all rural schools are closed, transportation is a major item to be arranged each year. Fortunately roads are constantly being improved and so routes become much easier to lay out. The law regarding transportation remains the same—all elementary pupils (Grades I-VIII) who live two miles or more from the school to which assigned must be provided with transportation. They may be required to walk not to exceed one mile to meet the conveyance. Transporters are allowed to carry high school pupils if they so desire provided there is room in the conveyance. The School District, however, assumes no responsibility for other than regularly enrolled elementary pupils.

Mr. Malcolm D. Clark has a contract at \$3100 for practically all of the transportation; this was awarded on the basis of bids submitted. The service rendered is excellent—clean school buses of adequate size, skilled drivers, and service practically always on scheduled time.

The Classroom Teacher

Mr. Daniel W. MacLean of Berlin, President of the New Hampshire State Teachers' Association has recently written:

" . . . The world, since early dawn, has produced great teachers whose influence has brought about great changes in our political, social, and economic life. In this great rush of the machine age in which we now live, the importance of the classroom teacher, in a great many cases, is lost sight of . . . The classroom teacher, with all the added duties as a result of the constant change in the home life of the children under her direction, new courses of study, extra-curricula activities, and advanced professional study, has met the challenge this age presents to her and is still the paramount factor in whatever situation the school finds itself. Through her wisdom and good judgment, she has chosen wisely the means best adapted to give the young people placed under her direction the culture and subject matter required to fit them for the problems of life that they must inevitably face."

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD C. BALES,
Superintendent of Schools.

January 29, 1938.

STATISTICS FOR 1936-1937

Average number of half days in session	355
Number of one-room schools maintained	0
Whole number of different pupils registered:	
Girls 109; Boys 107; total	216
Enrollment by grades: I-20; II-26; III-24;	
IV-16; V-20; VI-18; VII-28; VIII-16;	
IX-13; X-10; XI-14; XII-11; total	216
Average membership in high school	45.62

Average daily attendance in high school	43.87
Percent of attendance in high school for year	96.01
Average membership in elementary schools	141.43
Average daily attendance in elem. schools	133.14
Percent of attendance in elementary schools for year	94.14
Percent of attendance in all schools for year	94.63
Number of cases of tardinesses in high school	9
Number of cases of tardinesses in all schools	53
Number not absent nor tardy during school year	14
Salary of headmaster	\$1500
Average salary of high school teachers, including grades VII-VIII	\$1033.33
Average salary of elementary teachers	\$883.33
Number of visits made to schools by:	
School Board members	13
Superintendent of schools	242
Citizens (including special occasions)	151
Number of school board meetings	18

High School Graduates—June 1937

Lillian Albina Baribeau	Joseph Wilbur Hare
Mary Florence Barker	Edward Atkins Larnier, Jr.
Leonard Bono	Carl Sumner Merrill
Robert Hunt Currier	Arlene Helen Perry
Edith MacGregor Davis	Miriam Louise Phelps
Aili Marie Soini	

Pupils Completing Elementary School June 1937

Madeline Atwood*	*Thomas Langelier
Lucile Baribeau*	*Armas Liljeberg
Dorothy Going*	*Helen Long
Marion Hauptman*	*Lewis Miles
Alice Hubley	*William Tuttle
Lawrence Ladd*	*Gladys Weston

*Willis Wilson

* Entered Grade IX at Amherst, September 1937.

Perfect Attendance for School Year 1936-1937

Madeline Atwood, Robert Bragdon, Richard

Gilson, Ethel Hubley, Shirley Hubley, Randolph Kruger, Harold Long, Shirley Long, Helen Nichols, Marjorie Noble, Arlene Perry, Priscilla Perry, Lucy Spofford, Vertie Tuttle.

Return of School Census, September 1937

Mrs. Eleanore Wilkins, Enumerator

Number of children 5-16 years of age:	
Girls 95; Boys 110; Total	205
Total number of children (5-16) registered as members of local public schools on September 30, 1937	*166
*Also 25 over 16 years of age	
Number of children attending elementary school outside of district	21
Number of children 5-16 attending high school outside of district	1
Number 5-8 years of age not attending school	13
Number 8-14 years of age not attending school	1
Number 14-16 years of age not attending school	0

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

September 8, 1937 through January 31, 1938

High School: Armas Liljeberg, Barbara Murphy, Marjorie Noble, David Powers, Barbara Richardson, Lucile Smith, Marjorie Spillman, Shirley Trombley.

Grades VII-VIII: Allbert Austin, Ethel Hubley, Helen Nichols, Ruth Seguin, Maurice Young.

Grades V-VI: Allbon Austin, Richard Gilson, Phyllis Seguin, David Tuttle.

Grades III-IV: Bernice Bragdon, Rita Dion, Shirley Gilson, Ross Hall.

Grades I-II: Ronald Frost, Stanley Hubley, Beverly Parker, Elizabeth Parker.

HEADMASTER'S REPORT

To the School Board, Superintendent of Schools, and Citizens of Amherst:

I herewith submit my first annual report.

School opened for the year on September 8, 1937, with 45 pupils enrolled in the High School, thirteen of whom were Seniors. Since that time one additional Junior and one Freshman have entered and one Freshman has withdrawn, so that the present enrollment is as follows: 13 Seniors, 9 Juniors, 10 Sophomores, and 14 Freshmen. There are 19 enrolled in grade VII and 12 in grade VIII.

Attendance was excellent until the first of January at which time Amherst was visited by an epidemic of measles, the principal victims of which were in grades VII-XII, so that the yearly attendance record will be somewhat lower than it would have been otherwise. Tardiness is negligible and dismissals have been few.

The building of a new elementary school building on Foundry street has helped to relieve a very serious congestion. Classes in the various science subjects were too large for the laboratory so a serious situation would have resulted had not the first four grades been moved to the new building. The change has also made possible the moving of grades V-VI from the Annex to the main building, a very wise step.

Large classes in English and History still tax the capacity of the two smaller rooms on the second floor and one class each day is held in the Headmaster's office. Efforts have been made to improve the ventilation in the laboratory where experiments dealing with various sulphur compounds create rather objectionable odors at times. The hood has been connected with the main ventilating system and an electric blower installed. Efforts have also

been made in the improvement of ventilation of the toilet rooms. No satisfactory solution has yet been reached.

Three electric clocks were purchased by the School Board and these were placed in the fifth and sixth grade room, the science recitation room (formerly occupied by grades III-IV) where it serves the laboratory as well, and in the main room. These enable the various teachers to know when the periods will end and to conduct classes more efficiently.

As in recent years, the Triple Entente Association very successfully arranges part of and carries on most of the activities of grades VII-XII. Dues of 50 cents per pupil per year, together with funds acquired by means of public entertainments, finance most of the school's extra-curricular functions.

On November 19, the school presented Mark Twain's famous "Adventures of Tom Sawyer." This play was selected for its high literary as well as entertainment value, and the use of younger, inexperienced pupils in some of the roles proved very satisfactory. The play was well received by a capacity audience and was a success financially. Much credit is due the coaches, Miss Piper, Miss Baker, and Mr. Hanson, and to the various committees for their splendid efforts.

During the fall, a very valuable collection of properties and costumes was presented to the school by Mrs. N. S. Bean. This is deeply appreciated and will serve as a nucleus for an even larger collection over a period of years. A wardrobe cabinet was secured at very reasonable cost and will serve as a safe and convenient place for storing the collection.

In November, Mrs. Huntington presented to the school three excellent framed pictures. These have been hung in the main room and make this room much more attractive. The pictures were badly needed and the school appreciates them.

What was formerly the old Methodist Church, or more recently the "Scout Hall" on Middle Street, has been hired by the T. E. A. and is being used as a gymnasium or recreation hall. The present schedule enables each boy and girl in grades V-XII to have at least one period of supervised recreation each week. Boys' and girls' basketball teams have been organized and this sport is being thoroughly enjoyed by many of the pupils.

On February 11, the annual prize-speaking contest for grades VII-VIII, sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association, was held and six pupils took part. In preparation for this contest, and for the high school contest sponsored by the Grange, each pupil in grades VII-XII is required to give before the school one memorized selection and one extemporaneous talk. I feel that this is an excellent arrangement and should be continued in the future.

During February a Variety Program was successfully presented. An attempt was made by the committee to include in this program many pupils who had never previously taken part in a public performance. Miss Shirley MacArthur helped coach the one-act play which was a part of the program and her efforts were extremely helpful to the cast and to the teachers.

A word or two about parent-school relations might be presented at this time. The visits of parents at school this year have not been as many as might be expected. The teachers and Headmaster welcome you, fathers, mothers, and friends, to our classrooms at any time. Although special report slips are sent home from time to time concerning pupil maladjustments, and although teachers visit many homes during the year, still it is impossible for us to talk things over with all of you unless you come to see us. For your convenience in planning your future visits, I am presenting a list of the

subjects, and an explanation of where and when the various classes meet.

Period 1, 8:30-9:15, History of Civilization, English XI-XII, Geography VII; period 2, 9:15 to 10:00, General Mathematics, History VIII, French II, Chemistry; period 3, 10:15-11:00, Junior Business Training, English VII, Chemistry; period 4, 11:00-11:45, Arithmetic VII, Latin I, English VIII, Chemistry; period 5, 12:45-1:25, Activity period; period 6, 1:25-2:10, Sociology, History VII, English IX-X, Arithmetic VIII; period 7, 2:15-3:00, Geometry, Modern European History, Science VII.

Of the class of 1937 four entered college and seven are at home or at work, of whom two expect to enter college later. This is a very good record for a school of this size.

It has been a happy experience that I have had in Amherst this year. The pupils have given excellent cooperation and willingly responded to suggestions and have made many valuable and worthwhile suggestions.

In closing may I thank the teachers for their wonderful cooperation and tireless hours of work and planning to make this year at Amherst a constructive and valuable one. The School Board and Superintendent Bales have been ready at all times to do those things that seemed for the best interests of this community, and you citizens have been very helpful in promoting educational opportunities for the boys and girls of Amherst, in buildings very carefully cared for by our very valuable janitor, Mr. Phelps.

Respectfully submitted,

GORDON R. AYER.

February 14, 1938.

REPORT OF SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

To the School Board of Amherst, New Hampshire:

The following is the annual report of the medical inspection made October 1937.

Number of pupils examined 186; Teachers 7;

Janitor 1; Number not present 6

Defects	Cases found	Cases reported to parents
Anaemia	3	3
Nervous condition	3	3
Cardiac disease	5	5
Pulmonary disease	1	1
Orthopedic	5	5
Defective teeth	60	60
Diseased tonsils	16	16
Defective breathing	1	1
Adenoids	1	1
Enlarged glands	5	5
Number vaccinated	9	

Respectfully submitted,

OSCAR BURNS, M. D.,

School Physician.

January 25, 1938.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To Mr. Harold C. Bales, Superintendent of Schools,
Amherst, N. H.:

I herewith submit my annual report of the health work in Amherst schools.

The annual medical inspection was made in October by Dr. Burns, the nurse assisting. The account of this examination will be found in the school physician's report.

The fourth dental clinic was sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association during the spring term. The dental work was done by Dr. Richard Lawrence

of Milford with Mrs. Pearl Perry as clerk. Other members of the P. T. A. assisted. The following work was accomplished:

Number of pupils treated	78
Number of cleanings	77
Number of temporary extractions	17
Number of permanent extractions	11
Number of cement fillings	143
Number of porcelain fillings	5
Number of treatments	10

Hearing tests of all children have been made with an audiometer and eleven children were found to have defective hearing.

Twenty-two children were found to have defective vision when the visual tests were made. Many of these corrections have already been made, but others need remedial work which I hope to arrange for in the future.

Tonsil cases have been taken care of at the County Hospital.

Nine children were vaccinated by the school physician which makes our vaccination record 100 per cent this year.

One child was taken to the Mental Hygiene clinic in Manchester.

Eighty-seven school room visits have been made during the year and home visits as necessary for follow-up work. I hope more remedial work may be accomplished during the spring and summer. Many children were absent with measles during the winter term.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation to the school officials, teachers, parents, and friends for their cooperation during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MISS VENITA H. CARTER, R. N.,

School Nurse.

February 17, 1938.

REPORT OF THE AMHERST SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

At the annual School Meeting of March 1937 Amherst voted to raise and appropriate \$7,500 to build a two-room elementary school, the committee to consist of Mr. Malcolm Clark, Mr. Harold Wilkins, Mrs. Donald Davis, and the school board members, Mrs. Robert Telfer, Mr. Ralph Currier, and Mr. Arthur Underwood. This action set in motion a series of meetings from March until September (more than sixteen regular sessions and countless impromptu gatherings) which resulted in a new elementary building for the first four grades on Busy Field.

At the first meeting the chairman and secretary were chosen, Mr. Clark and Mrs. Davis, respectively. The immediate and unanimous aim of the committee was stated then; and that aim—to keep within the appropriation and to give the people of Amherst a building of which they might feel justly proud—waved like a banner before us through head-shaking conferences with builders, above skeptical smiles from all business men, and over the unfavorable comments of local critics.

From a list of two- to four-room buildings erected since 1920 the majority of the committee visited schools in Concord, Dunbarton, Beebe River, Camp-ton, Plymouth, and Andover. The more we inspected, the more convinced we were that the task ahead of us—that of erecting a modern two-room building for \$7500—called for retrenchment, economy, and good old Yankee bargaining.

Many and varied were the problems which confronted us as we investigated, figured, and compared: cement or stone for the basement; the cost of second-hand brick as compared with lumber; W. P. A. versus local financing; an efficient, yet within

the budget heating plant; the inside finish, plaster or a kind of wall board; the right location on Busy Field to give the best light and to still preserve the playground; and so many more questions to settle that we began to doubt the ability of any committee to bring forth such a building for occupancy within five months.

Mr. Paul Farnum, Administrative Field Agent of the State Department of Education, gave inestimable help in his blueprint drawings which became the basis for our building and with his thoughtful hints and suggestions. It was really he who got us started by answering our thousand and one whats, whys, and hows.

Ground was finally broken the last of May, and the frame commenced late in June with Mr. George Goodale in charge. This report will not contain a list of the men who worked on the building since their names will appear on the itemized account of expenses in next year's Town Report (the fiscal school year ends in June). Nor will there appear a description of the school, for many of you have already visited it. If you have not taken the opportunity to inspect the building, you should since it belongs to you, and sooner or later provision will have to be made for a cement sidewalk, grading, and beautifying the grounds.

The committee would like to recommend at this time that as a tribute to the donor of the land and her life-long interest in the Amherst schools that the building be known as the Clark Building, and further that at this approaching school meeting plans be made for a proper dedication.

The committee was very glad to serve the town and is secretly as proud as Punch of the new building, for not only did we "crack a hard nut," but we had an opportunity to prove our interest as citizens of Amherst. This report must not close without

mention of Chairman Clark's untiring work and keen interest as well as his generosity in furnishing us transportation for our trips inasmuch as the committee had no traveling expense account. It was through his constant supervision that costs were kept down and the job brought to a successful conclusion.

Respectfully submitted,

MR. MALCOLM D. CLARK, Chairman,
MRS. DONALD DAVIS, Secretary,
MR. HAROLD H. WILKINS,
MR. RALPH P. CURRIER,
MRS. ROBERT S. TELFER,
MR. ARTHUR L. UNDERWOOD,
Building Committee.

VITAL STATISTICS

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1937

MARRIAGES

Date, Name, Age and Residence of Parties, By Whom Married

- Jan. 14. Herbert H. Duncklee, 19, Wilton, N. H., and Mildred E. Frost, 15, Amherst. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- Jan. 28. James E. Skinner, 33, Leominster, Mass., and Thresa A. Dargis, 20, Leominster, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- Feb. 24. Alfred E. Taylor, 28, of Leominster, Mass., and Tynne E. Jokinen, 24, Fitchburg, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- Mar. 20. Alvah U. Jakola, 26, Fitchburg, Mass., and Karrin D. Johnson, 22, Gardner, Mass. By R. Russell Denison, at Amherst.
- Apr. 15. Herbert I. Johnson, 23, Gardner, Mass., and Aura O. Lehto, 19, Gardner, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- Apr. 26. Arthur R. Gadbois, 29, Beverly, Mass., and Roberta A. Dudley, 19, Beverly, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- Apr. 29. Toivo O. Sivonen, 21, Fitchburg, Mass., and Louise Holm, 21, Fitchburg, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- May 9. James O. Bean, 22, Lawrence, Mass., and Virginia L. Ramgren, 19, Lawrence, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- June 17. Albert H. Junkins, 25, Amherst, and Ruby I. Perkins, 20, Merrimack, N. H. By Rev. Amos F. Chase, Amherst.
- June 19. George L. Rae, 48, Brookline, Mass., and Marion L. Stanwood, 40, Brookline, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- June 20. William M. Nickerson, 30, Everett, Mass., and Ruth E. Thompson, 22, Everett, Mass. By Rev. Amos F. Chase, Amherst.
- July 10. John R. Weaver, Jr., 24, Sturbridge, Mass., and Ruth E. Simpson, 19, Southbridge, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- July 17. Arnold Goldberg, 30, Roxbury, Mass., and Jane C. Sheff, 23, Roxbury, Mass. By C. Bradley Frost, Justice of the Peace, at Amherst.

- July 17. Abraham Datz, 26, Boston, Mass., and Shirley Eglichen, 24, Boston, Mass. By C. Bradley Frost, Just of the Peace, at Amherst.
- July 31. William C. Gould, 28, Worcester, Mass., and Rachel E. Colby, 25, Natick, Mass. By Rev. Amos F. Chase, Amherst.
- Aug. 14. Vincent C. Cottrell, 22, Malden, Mass., and Eleanor F. Hodgkins, 19, Malden, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- Sept. 9. James Ragona, 20, Saxonville, Mass., and Louise A. Dolan, 21, Boston, Mass. By Zebina B. Kemp, Justice of the Peace, Amherst.
- Oct. 14. Frank H. Barnard, 28, Bedford, N. H., and Isabel D. Martin, 25, Amherst. By Rev. Albert P. Watson, Wilton, Maine, at Amherst.
- Nov. 6. Harold S. Adams, 22, Arlington, Mass., and Ruth A. Phinney, 21, Arlington, Mass. By Rev. Amos F. Chase, Amherst.
- Nov. 25. Winston F. Hanlon, 28, Milford, and Marian B. Richardson, 28, of Amherst. By Charles W. Casson, Minister, Milford.

BIRTHS

Date, Name of Child, Name of Father, Maiden Name of Mother

- Jan. 23. Mary Ruth Dillon. Harold J. Dillon. Ruth W. Dearth.
- Jan. 27. Marilyn Grace Merrill. Maurice Merrill. Florence Howard.
- Mar. 16. Georgina Mary Howard. Frederick V. Howard. Elinor Erskine.
- Apr. 3. Virginia Agnes Ferguson. John R. Ferguson. Doris Wildman.
- Apr. 28. Joan Rand. Elmer Rand. Mae E. Blanchard.
- May 20. Charlene Bernasconi. Pierre J. Bernasconi. Eva Liberty.
- May 21. Allan Kenneth Bowler. George Bowler 2nd. Inez Peterson.
- May 21. Joseph M. R. Martel. Ulric Martel. Agnes Beaudet.
- May 25. Newton Sherman Stockwell. Newton Stockwell. Margaret L. Sherman.
- Aug. 21. Jean Claire Odell. Robert P. Odell. Ruth Mary McIntosh.
- Aug. 31. Donald Ivan Miles. Leslie E. Miles. Viola Race.
- Dec. 8. Ellen Loretta Campbell. Everett H. Campbell, Helen S. Muncil.

DEATHS

Date, Name, Age, Name of Father, Maiden Name of Mother

- Jan. 10. Estella V. Ritchie, 79 yrs., 5 mos., 26 days. Nathan O. Prescott. Lucy Richardson.
- Apr. 17. Ralph D. Carson, 51 yrs., 1 mo., 24 days. John W. Carson. Julia A. Dodge.
- Apr. 20. John H. Parkhurst, 78 yrs., 5 mos., 24 days. Stillman Parkhurst. Margaret Peaslee.
- May 3. Austin R. Merrill, 60 yrs., 4 mos., 1 day. Charles Merrill. Fannie Butterfield.
- June 24. Cornelius J. Queenan, 85 yrs. (Parents cannot be learned.)
- Sept. 15. Lucy R. Fletcher, 89 ys., 9 mos., 9 days. Daniel Fletcher. Charlett Roby.
- Oct. 2. Alexander M. Ingram, 69 yrs., 8 mos., 5 days. William Ingram. Barbara Martin.
- Oct. 20. Augustus Wilson, 24 yrs., 8 mos., 1 day. William Wilson. Nellie E. Long.
- Nov. 12. John A. Brousseau, 29 yrs., 11 mos., 23 days. John Brousseau. Helene Paquette.
- Nov. 14. Mary A. Putnam, 89 yrs., 3 mos., 13 days. Douglas Gould.
- Dec. 7. Harvey W. Donaghy, 73 yrs., 2 mos., 21 days. David Donaghy. Charlott Ellis.

In addition to the above deaths, the following persons have been brought to Amherst for burial:

Thomas P. Soraghan, Milford, N. H.; William C. Herlihy, Nashua, N. H.; Delia Deschamps, Milford, N. H.; Estelle M. Sloan, Nashua, N. H.; Daniel B. Wetherbee, Concord, N. H.; John C. Smith, Peterborough, N. H.; Elsie L. Burgeson, Goffstown, N. H.; Charles A. Mason, Sandown, N. H.; George H. Seaverns, Milford, N. H.; Arvilla H. Raymond, Merrimack, N. H.; Arthur A. Bills, Henniker, N. H.; Michael Kane, Haverhill, Mass.; Elgin J. Bartlett, Nashua, N. H.; Rose A. Gogan, Milford, N. H.; Catherine M. Cassidy, Milford, N. H.; Annie O'Neil, Goffstown, N. H.; Jarrest Fitzpatrick, Somerville, Mass.; Margaret G. Flanagan, Milford, N. H.; George H. Barrett, Somerville, Mass.; Frederick E. Howard, Nashua, N. H.; Rev. Henry E. Lennon, Milford, N. H.; Ariel Elliott, Goffstown, N. H.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Z. B. KEMP,
Town Clerk of Amherst, N. H.

